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WITHDRAWAL OF APPEAL

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Sir:

Appellants acknowledge receipt of the Decision on Appeal ("the Decision") in the above-referenced matter, mailed on November 14, 2005, which has been carefully reviewed and studied. While Appellants maintain their disagreement with the rejections set forth by the Examiner, and do not agree with the decision of the Board "affirm[ing] the examiner's rejection of claims 1 and 5-9" (the Decision at page 8), Appellants hereby withdraw the present appeal (Appeal No. 2005-1920), entirely without prejudice and without disclaimer, in order to pursue claims in a continuing application, which was filed on December 9, 2005.

Appellants believe that no fees are due in connection with this request. However, the Commissioner is authorized to charge any required fees to Deposit Account No. 50-0892.

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